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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM (ARIANA VASILESCU)

1. FOLLOWING ACCOUNT SUPPLIED FOR EMBASSY BACKGROUND IF  
GOR RAISES THIS CASE.

2. ARIANA VASILESCU, MEMBER OF CIPRIAN PORUMBESCU CHOIR,  
CONTACTED POLICE IN NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. ON APRIL 25 WITH  
REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM. DURING COURSE OF APRIL 25  
VASILESCU SPOKE BY TELEPHONE WITH PARENT AND FIANCÉ IN  
BUCHAREST AND CHANGED HER MIND ABOUT STAYING IN THE U.S.  
SHE ALSO SPOKE WITH ROMANIAN EMBASSY, INDICATING THAT SHE  
WISHED TO REJOIN CHOIR AND RETURN TO ROMANIA. EMBASSY  
SENT FODOR OF ROMANIAN NEW YORK COMMERCIAL OFFICE TO TAKE  
HER TO NEW YORK. BY THIS TIME INS HAD BEEN INFORMED OF  
EARLIER ASYLUM REQUEST AND HAD TAKEN CUSTODY OF  
VASILESCU. DEPARTMENT ADVISED INS THAT CONTACT WITH  
ROMANIAN OFFICIALS SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED AT THAT TIME  
AND THAT THEY SHOULD BE ADVISED TO SEEK CONTACT THROUGH  
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STATE DEPARTMENT CHANNELS. VASILESCU REMAINED IN INS

CUSTODY NIGHT OF APRIL 25 AND WAS TAKEN TO NEWARK INS  
OFFICE ON APRIL 26 FOR INTERVIEW TO DETERMINE HER  
WISH TO REMAIN IN U.S. OR RETURN TO ROMANIA.

3. INS INTERVIEWED VASILESCU MORNING OF APRIL 26 AND  
DETERMINED THAT SHE WISHED TO REJOIN CHOIR AND RETURN  
TO ROMANIA. ROMANIAN-SPEAKING DEPARTMENT OFFICER WENT TO  
NEWARK AFTERNOON OF APRIL 26 AND INTERVIEWED VASILESCU  
TO CONFIRM HER INTENTION TO RETURN TO ROMANIA.

4. MITRAN OF ROMANIAN EMBASSY CALLED AT DEPARTMENT ON  
MORNING OF APRIL 26 TO REQUEST CONTACT IN PERSON OR BY  
TELEPHONE WITH VASILESCU. HE WAS INFORMED THAT CONTACT  
WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE UNTIL INS HAD COMPLETED ITS  
INTERVIEW. MITRAN OBJECTED TO REFUSAL TO PERMIT CONTACT  
SOONER, BUT MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO TRAVEL TO NEWARK TO SEE  
VASILESCU AT 4:00 P.M. DURING MEETING WITH MITRAN, INS  
AND DEPARTMENT OFFICER, VASILESCU AGAIN CONFIRMED THAT  
SHE WISHED TO RETURN TO CHOIR. MITRAN LEFT WITH  
VASILESCU STATING THAT HE WOULD RETURN HER TO CHOIR  
ON APRIL 27. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT SHE HAS  
REJOINED CHOIR.

5. DURING CALL BY COUNSELOR IONITA AND CONSUL EDU  
APRIL 29 ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMITAGE ON  
ANOTHER MATTER, ROMANIANS RAISED ISSUE OF LACK OF TIMELY  
ACCESS TO VASILESCU. THEY WERE TOLD ABOUT U.S. PROCE-  
DURES IN HANDLING CASES WHEN PERSONS RECONSIDER ORIGINAL  
REQUEST FOR ASYLUM. RUSH

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